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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- (Currently Amended) A medical apparatus comprising at least one surface which is at least partially coated with a hydrolytically condensed organosilane sol-gel composition,
- wherein the organosilane <u>sol-gel</u> composition comprises a <u>mixture of</u> tetraethoxysilane, methyltromethoxysilane <u>methyltrimethoxysilane</u>, and <u>organosilane</u> <u>compounds that contain</u> an organic, polymerizable substituent, <u>wherein the</u> <u>organosilane compounds that contain the organic, polymerizable substituent consist of 3-glycidoxypropyl trimethoxysilane, methacryloxypropyl trimethoxysilane and vinyl trimethoxysilane, and wherein the organosilane sol-gel composition is further formed from dimethylmalonic acid.</u>
- 2. (Canceled)
- (Currently Amended) The medical apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the sol-gel composition further comprises a material is formed from a mixture of an organosilane compound and silica particles.
- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Previously Presented) The medical apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the coating can be cured at a curing temperature of about 80°C or lower.
- 6. (Canceled)

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7. (Previously Presented) The medical apparatus of claim 1, wherein said surface is a tabletop of a diagnostic system.

- 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Canceled)
- 10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Currently Amended) A process for making medical equipment resistant to iodine comprising coating one or more surfaces with a hydrolytically condensed organosilane sol-gel composition, wherein the organosilane sol-gel composition comprises a mixture of tetraethoxysilane, methyltromethoxysilane methyltrimethoxysilane, and organosilane compounds that contain an organic, polymerizable substituent, wherein the organosilane compounds that contain the organic, polymerizable substituent consist of 3-qlycidoxypropyl trimethoxysilane, methacryloxypropyl trimethoxysilane and vinyl trimethoxysilane, and wherein the organosilane sol-gel composition is further formed from dimethylmalonic acid.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 13 wherein said sol-gel material composition is a glossy material, and further comprises comprising:

demi-water-

itaconic acid.

ethyl alcohol,

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> tetraethoxysilane, glycidoxypropyl trimethoxysilane, silica <u>particles</u>. dispersion, and wetting agent.

15. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 13 wherein said sol-gel material composition is a matte material, and further comprises comprising:

demi-water,
itaconic-acid,
ethyl-alcohol,
tetraethoxysilane,
glycidoxypropyl-trimethoxysilane,
silica dispersion particles and a
matting agent, and
wetting agent.